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11am-12.30pm 3rd Fri: Coldharbour Neighbourhood office, library entrance, William Barefoot Drive, 11am. 4th Sat: Shrewsbury House, 10am, Bushmoor

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THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated

May 8 - Best Value Review Team-Supporting Education,7pm. Sustainable Communities&Transport Scrutiny Panel, 7pm. May 9 - Greenwich Area Panning Committee.6.30pm.

More information on 020 8921 5130 or www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings

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Develop Grove Market Place

IT'S good news that the Leegate Shopping Centre in Lee Green is to be redeveloped with new shops. The question now is when will work start on the Grove Market Place Shopping Centre on Court Road and Eltham High Street, It has been empty for five years. Redevelopment of this site will enhance existing shops and bring retail jobs to the Graham Justine

 HSBC are due to vacate the building this Autumn, at which point the developer, Cathedral Group has indicated development works will begin. The scheme will include a new Travel Lodge hotel, shops and a supermarket plus some new apartments, which will be a major contribution to the town centre

I REFER to your article in the April 17 issue of GT. As a regular user of the so called cycle paths in Greenwich Park your article brought a smile to my face. I was riding my cycle on the designated cycle path only from Great Cross Avenue to Vanbrugh Park Gate only th day before. The markings indicating the segregation of pedestrians and cyclists are so faint and worn away that they are impossible to see in places. This causes confusion between cyclists and pedestrians which I am sure will result in a serious accident when the busy summer period gets under way. I have emailed the Royal Parks department several times in the past in regard to this matter and at one time they stated that the re-marking of the white lines would be sent out to contract.

No white lines cause cycle path confusion

But nothing happened. I have also pointed this situation out to a police constable in the park. But again no action was taken. Perhaps you could bring some pressure to bear on this matter.

K B Sutherland, Eltham

 Graham Dear, from the Royal Parks manager replies: "After careful research indicating that there is less conflict on narrow paths when there is no demarcation, the Royal Parks designated this path dual use for cyclists and pedestrians in 2010. There is a clear dual use sign at both ends of the path.

Removing the faint former line markings would involve burning or chipping which damage the path surface. We do not want to damage this popular path which is used by hundreds of cyclists every week. We have therefore decided to allow the markings to wear off naturally, which they will do in time.

The Royal Parks regularly reviews the safety of its paths - indeed the dual use decision was the result of our 2009 cycle traffic review in Greenwich Park. No accidents have been reported on this path, which we will continue to monitor closely as we do in each of London's eight Royal Parks.'



Shrubs for Shrewsbury

THE Shrewsbury Park Residents' Association has been working very productively with the Cleansweep service recently, in particular for Cleansweep to undertake some shrub planting to the kerb-side shrub beds on the Laing Estate. The Shrewsbury Park Estate is one of the Royal Borough's 20 Conservation Areas and the association is keen to preserve and enhance the original features of the estate that include the shrub beds and greens. They

are well recognised by the Royal Borough as providing one of the Laing Estate's unique characteristics which should be preserved and enhanced. The royal borough is responsible for the

maintenance of the beds and greens on the estate and Cleansweep has been working hard to improve standards in recent months.

Robert Million, chair, Shrewsbury Park Residents' Association

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Cruise operators welcome Greenwich terminal

OPERATORS of international cruise ships met in Royal Greenwich to talk about the royal borough becoming the next major destination for the industry.

Work is due to start this year at a new cruise terminal at Greenwich Peninsula. Representatives from the cruise industry and Europe's biggest ports gathered for an international cruise conference in Greenwich last week as the Queen reopened the refurbished Cutty

reopened the returnished only Sark tea clipper. The event was organised by the Royal Borough of Greenwich in partnership with Cruise Europe and West Properties.

The cruise terminal at Greenwich Peninsula will see cruise ships sail up the River Thames to a new purpose-built terminal at Enderby

Wharf.

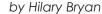
The terminal will be able to accommodate the largest cruise ships - up to 240 metres long - and up to 3,000 passengers embarking or

disembarking at any one time. The site will also include a new 251-bedroom hotel, 770 new homes along with office and leisure

accommodation.

The scheme has won major investment from real estate funders Morgan Stanley and work on the new terminal is expected to start by the end of the year.

The scheme gives London its first



cruise terminal and places Royal Greenwich on the map as a global cruise destination. It is expected to provide a further boost to local tourism alongside other flagship developments such as The O2 arena and the new Emirates Cable Car

over the Thames.

James Blakey, planning director at West Properties said: "The response from the cruise industry to the development of a purpose built cruise terminal in Royal Greenwich within the heart of the capital has been tremendous. The location of Enderby Wharf close to so many world famous and iconic attractions in Royal Greenwich and London provides the cruise passengers with an extensive choice of cultural, historical and entertainment activities.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the Royal Borough of Greenwich, said: "The fact that Cruise Europe are choosing to host their conference and AGM here in Royal Greenwich clearly demonstrates the level of anticipation around London's first cruise terminal and the royal borough as a global cruise

destination. "Tourism already brings £774 million per year to our local economy and this will clearly be a massive boost for an already thriving local industry.

hugely proud of the rich mix of attractions, culture and history we have at the World Heritage site and beyond in Greenwich - and of course of our proud maritime history. The coming of London's first cruise terminal at Enderby Wharf with the investment by Morgan Stanley will be a big landmark in that history and a superb addition to all we have to offer here in Royal Greenwich.'

LONDON STOP OFF



King's Troop in Charlton Park

A DESIGNATED area of Charlton Park is being temporarily used by the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery for the exercising its horses on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Park users are advised to be extra careful when within the park during the two-hour periods the horses are being exercised. They will move back to Woolwich Common from October 2012. For further information or to report an incident, please call 020 8856 0100.

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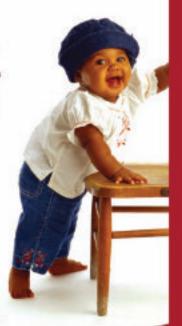
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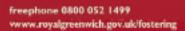
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It's being issued by the Woolwich Traders' Forum and takes place on next Tuesday, May 8, from 6.30-8.30pm at The Gallery, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6HQ. The event is also a chance to find out what the Olympics means for Woolwich and the opportunities to promote your own business.

 For further information please contact Royal Greenwich on 020 8921 3949 or email anna.janmaat@greenwich.gov.uk

The South East London Chamber of Commerce is hosting a networking lunch on Wednesday May 9 at the Thames Innovation Centre, Veridian Park, 2 Veridian Way, Erith, DA18 4AG. The event includes a free pre-lunch workshop from 11.15am to 12.30pm. Details on 020 8317 3365 or visit www.

selondonchamber.org

ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 –
SECTION 14(1)
TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES – Boord
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Halley Way, John Harrison Way,
Millennium Way, Prince Charles Road,
Shooters Hill Road and West Parkside
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Indus Road and Maze Hill

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal
Borough of Greenwich, with the consent of the Olympic
Delivery Authority and Transport for London, has made an
Order to facilitate works in the roads and lengths of roads
described in paragraph I (a) of this Notice. The effect of the
Order would be to temporarily:

(a) prohibit vehicles from entering, exiting, proceeding or
waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading
or unloading) in:

(i) Boord Street,
(ii) Charlton Way, between Shooters Hill Road and
Prince Charles Road;
(iv) Duke Humphrey Road;

Duke Humphrey Road; Edmund Halley Way; John Harrison Way;

John Harrison Way, Millennium Way, Prince Charles Road, between Shooters Hill Road and Charlton Way, Shooters Hill Road, between Rochester Way Relief Road and Charlton Park Lane, and West Parkside, and

suspend the one-way workings (allowing two-way

(b) suspend the one-way workings (allowing two-way working) in:
(i) Indus Road, between Shooters Hill Road and Charlton Dene; and
(ii) Maze Hill, between Charlton Way and Shooters Hill Road,
as and when necessary to provide an alternative route for traffic diverted by the works.

The above prohibitions and suspensions will not be in effect simultaneously and would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing or covering of the appropriate traffic signs.

Whilst the prohibitions specified in paragraph 1 to this Notice are in operation, traffic should follow local diversions as indicated by traffic signs.

The Order will come into force at 21:00 hours on 21st

The Order will come into force at 21:00 hours on 21st May 2012 and continue in force until 23:59 hours on 31st October 2012, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner.

Queries concerning these works should be directed to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 5580.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street,

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Dated 1st May 2012





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PUPILS have been stepping back in time to explore the rich heritage of the new Royal Borough of Greenwich.

And they've been presenting their findings in the form of special projects displayed in school buildings for all to

It's all part of the Royal Borough Schools Project organised by the royal borough to help pupils learn about their heritage by bringing local history to life. As part of the project youngsters have

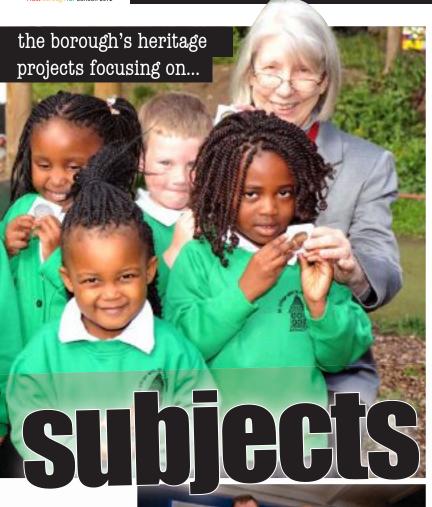
been visiting world-famous buildings across the borough and working with historians and experts at the Royal Museums including the Old Royal Naval

At the same time other schools have been looking forward to the future and celebrating the role of the royal borough as an Olympic Host borough with Olympic-themed events and activities.

Whether they've looked in to the past or the future, all pupils are being presented with a specially-minted coin to commemorate the borough's new royal status and the fact that Greenwich is a host borough for the 30th Olympic Games.

Boxgrove pupils Ooretoluwase Agbelese and Dylan Evans summed up their project work in a special report for GT: "We have been learning all about Henry VIII this half term. We found out





ROYAL REVELRY: left, Boxgrove pupils receive their coins and show off their huge portrait of Henry VIII. Right, Invicta nunils dress un as rovals for Clir Alian MacCarthy and Greenwich MP Nick Raynsford, and below, Clir Brian O' Sullivan and a pupil at St Mary's give a close un view of the commemorative coin



ceremony on that day." Sandra Smith from St Thomas a Becket explained that pupils have been redesigning the royal crest and the structure of The 02, as well as discussing previous royal figures like

Pupils have been learning traditional Tudor dances, painting self-portraits of themselves in regal clothes, redesigning and modernising royal palaces like Eltham Palace and looking at the school's logo and writing about what it means to

Children in Year 6 also had to choose one of Henry VIII's wives and present a case for them to stay or go.

'The children talked about Henry and the beheading of his wives and had to give 'plea bargains' from the perspective of the wives and say why they shouldn't be beheaded!" Sandra told GT. Cllr Steve Offord visited the Abbey Wood school to inspect their work, watch

a performance and enjoy a 'royal tea'. Year 6 pupil Sam Freun presented his debate to Cllr Offord and told him: "We've been studying King Henry VIII and the relationship he had with his wives.

"I think Katherine Howard should have been beheaded, as she had been unfaithful

'Of all the activities, I've really loved learning about the country dancing of the Tudor period."



Mosac is a voluntary organisation that supports non-abusing parents and carers whose children have been sexually abused. They provide support, advice, information, advocacy and counselling following the discovery of sexual abuse. Mosac seeks to enable parents and carers to rebuild confidence, alleviate isolation and to assist them and their children in achieving an improved quality of

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It has also just announced the launch of a new book, Hurt, which tells the stories of non-abusing parents of children who have been sexually abused.

Funding is received from a number of different private and public schemes, including individual fundraisers, as well as grants from Big Lottery, Tudor Trust, Women's Foundation, BBC Children in Need. London Council. Henry Smith, Esmee Fairburn, Emily Simon www.mosac.org.uk/ Family Foundation,

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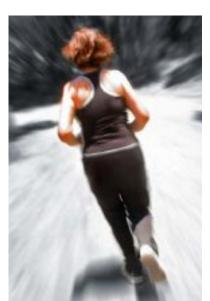
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Borough BRIEFS

Student Lori wins Lawrence poetry prize

LORI King, a third-year undergraduate studying English and Creative Writing, has won the inaugural Stephen Lawrence Poetry Prize at the University of Greenwich.

The prize was established as a lasting tribute to Stephen, who was killed in a racist attack in 1993.

Stephen's mother, Doreen Lawrence OBE, presented the prizes at a special ceremony where she was joined by students, staff and members of the public to hear poetry readings by students and published poets including Andra Simons and Sophie Mayer.

Senior lecturer Cherry Smyth said: "I was hugely impressed by the quality of the poems, showing the depth of writing talent we have here at Greenwich. Our students poured their thoughts and feelings into their poems and it was a privilege to help shortlist the competition."

Campus show

HERE to Eternity, the latest student hair and beauty show of the Shooter Hill Campus will be held in the Drama Hall at 6.30pm on Friday, May 11. Refreshments will be available and proceeds will go to the Greenwich and Bexley Community Hospice.

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Bowel cancer tests help prevention

MORE than 350 people had a chance to learn about preventing bowel cancer at a health awareness day in Woolwich town centre.

They were able to tour a giant inflatable replica of the human colon and learn more about preventing the disease as part of an all-day event in General Gordon Square.

Shoppers and passers-by walked through the 2.4 metre high structure to see what the inside of a colon looks like and were able to see abnormal growths such as inflated mushroom-like polyps. They received information about the importance of screening and the benefits of the early detection of bowel problems and information on the signs and symptoms.

And people aged 60-69 who have been given bowel cancer screening tests were urged to complete their test and return them.

The event was part of local activities for Bowel Cancer Screening and Awareness Month in Royal Greenwich which saw NHS Greenwich working with the Royal Borough of Greenwich. Men and women aged 60-69 years are sent a screening test every two years but many people do not return the kits.

Cerena Barnett, a nurse from the Queen Elizabeth Hospital said "Over the years we have seen an increase in the number of people diagnosed with bowel cancer in the UK. That is why we undertake bowel cancer awareness events to raise awareness." Her colleague Anne Sparrow added: "In

Her colleague Anne Sparrow added: "In 2011 just in the QEH our bowel cancer team treated and diagnosed 139 cases of bowel cancer and about 10% of people referred with signs and symptoms that went to their GP were treated by us. We want to raise awareness of the disease and the symptoms as bowel cancer is treatable. We encourage you to see your GPs. If you have symptoms do not ignore them."

Sylvia Stevens from Eltham, was

Sylvia Stevens from Eltham, was recently diagnosed with bowel cancer through the screening programme. Sylvia had received a bowel cancer screening test kit through the post at home in October 2010. She completed the test kit and posted her samples in the pre-

paid envelope that came with it. Within a week, Sylvia received a letter notifying both herself and her GP of a result that required further investigation. She was found to have a tumour which had been picked up by screening but it meant that she was treated early and did not need chemotherapy. Sylvia said: "There might have been

Sylvia said: "There might have been a less positive outcome had I not posted off the free test. I had no idea there was anything wrong as I had no symptoms at all! This experience has encouraged all my friends who had not returned their kit to send it in and I would encourage everyone else who is sent one to do the same."

For more information about the bowel cancer screening programme call Pauline on 0208 293 7232 and for more information on the signs and symptoms of bowel cancer, the risk factors and how a healthy lifestyle can help prevent bowel cancer call Greenwich Health Living Service on 0800 587 5833. If aged between 60-69 and you have received a kit but did not post it back and would like to request another bowel cancer screening kit call: 0800 707 6060.

A NEW centre for young and adult carers - and the people they care for - has been given a £10,600 boost by former Mayor Cllr Barbara Barwick.
The cash will be used by Greenwich Carers Centre to furnish its new 'O' Centre in Orangery Lane, Eltham, with an arts and crafts workshop. 'O' stands for Opportunity, and the centre will also have space outside for sports like football and basketball.
The refurbished building is due to open in June.

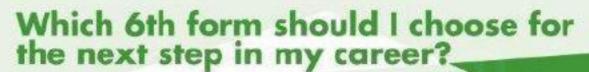
Cash boost for carers centre

Greenwich Carers Centre was one of the two charities Cllr Barwick supported during her term as mayor last year. She said: "It supports adults and children who are caring for someone at home. This includes parents, spouses, relatives, siblings, partners and friends. It provides a wide and accessible range of services including information, guidance, social activities, counselling, therapy

and practical support to carers and those they support. I'm very pleased I have been able to help equip the new building."
Chief executive Sue Mitchell said: "We are delighted to have this donation from Cllr Barwick. The O Centre will offer carers and those they care for an opportunity to meet others, engage in a range of activities such as a relaxing spa experience, or just meeting

friends. The service will operate until 10pm weekdays and Saturdays and 5pm Sundays and Bank Holidays. "It will give both adult and young carers opportunities to learn new skills, to continue hobbies they can no longer do at home and probably most importantly, meet new friends and have fun."

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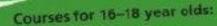
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Protectors on patrol

MoD to base ship in Greenwich during the Olympic Games

HMS Ocean, the Royal Navy's largest ship, will be docking in the Thames at Greenwich on Friday (May 4) to take part in a military exercise in readiness for the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The ship will be used as the operating base for its helicopters and their crews during the weeklong exercise, which will test the armed forces in their role supporting the police and Games organisers LOCOG during

the Olympics. HMS Ocean will be open to visitors during the exercise so local residents can visit, meet the sailors and Royal Marines, learn about the ship's capabilities, and answer questions about the role of the armed forces during the Games. There will also be a site for air defence systems in Oxleas Meadows during the Games.

The ship will return to Greenwich for the Games on July 13. Greenwich Ship Pier is the only berth in London large enough to fit a ship of its size. It will act as a helicopter landing



PRIDE OF THE FLEET: HMS Ocean will be at Greenwich during Games-time

platform and logistics hub in support of maritime and air security operations. The ship will also provide accommodation for 400 Royal Marines and sailors who will be part of the Venue Security Force for nearby Greenwich Park, where events are being

A Royal Navy spokesman said: "HMS Ocean will be moored on the buoys normally utilised for cruise ships. Whilst a degree of background generator type noise should be expected this will not be at a level greater than for a similar sized civilian ship and is unlikely to be heard

noise levels of the Thames. Wherever possible flights will be conducted in a sympathetic manner to residents in both Greenwich and Tower including Hamlets, including avoiding prolonged flying over residential areas unless it is required through operational

necessity."
The ship will remain moored at Greenwich throughout the Games, and is due to leave around September 16.

• For more information contact Ray Seabrook on 020 8921 3131 or email ray. seabrook@greenwich.gov.uk

Royal borough feast fit for the Queen

THE Royal Borough of Greenwich is inviting residents to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee at what is expected to be the largest lunch and street party in the whole of the UK. The magnificent grounds of the Old Royal Naval College will be the venue for the event on Sunday, June 3 where locals will sit and eat together at a lunch table over two-thirds of a mile long. Cllr Chris Roberts, the leader of Royal Greenwich, said: "It is fitting that this massive street party will be hosted here in the same year in which Greenwich became a Royal Borough. I know that residents will be keen to celebrate the Queen's 60 years of service and I am sure that the Big Jubilee Lunch will be a great success. After

all, this is a chance to show thanks to Her Majesty for the honour she has bestowed upon our community whilst also having fun!"

In addition to the enormous lunch table, the event will also feature live entertainment, stalls selling various foods and locally brewed beers, and workshops aimed at inspiring sustainable living. Later in the afternoon the party-goers can cheer the boats of the Thames Diamond Jubilee Pageant as the flotilla arrives at Royal Greenwich.

Entrance to the event, which is scheduled to start at midday, will be free and no pre-booking is required. Information at www.ornc.org or www.

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Rain fails to dampen spirits of hundreds who turn out to welcome the Qu

From Page 1 schools' choirs were also joined by the Trinity Laban community choir of local adult singers, as well as vocal students.

The space that houses the Cutty Sark overlooks the River Thames and Docklands and has been landscaped with plants, a water feature and spaces for performances and events that will enhance the area's excitement for visitors and local residents leading up to, during and after the 2012 Games.

The Cutty Sark Gardens refurbishment programme was co-funded by the royal borough and the Government and took just over a year to complete. The area is a greener space, and is a fitting setting for the world-renowned Cutty Sark.

The Queen unveiled a plaque to mark the reopening of the Gardens. The Duke of Edinburgh was presented with the Freedom of the Royal Borough by the Mayor, Cllr Jim Gillman, acknowledging his title of Baron Greenwich and close association with the Cutty Sark Trust, the Old Royal Naval College, and the National Maritime Museum.

Her Majesty was also presented with a commemorative book recording the week in February that Greenwich celebrated becoming a royal borough and welcomed the arrival of the King's Troop, and a crystal bowl engraved with the royal borough's coat of arms

They also visited the Old Royal Naval College, accompanied by members of the Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment and the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery. It was the Troop's first ceremonial event in the royal borough since moving into its new home at Woolwich Garrison in February.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh later opened the new exhibition at the National Maritime Museum - Royal River: Power, Pageantry and The Thames. Earlier in the day Her Majesty also officially named the Gloriana, the vessel that will lead this year's Thames Diamond Jubilee Pageant. The Cutty Sark is just one of many visitor attractions which help bring around 18 million visitors to the royal

borough every year.

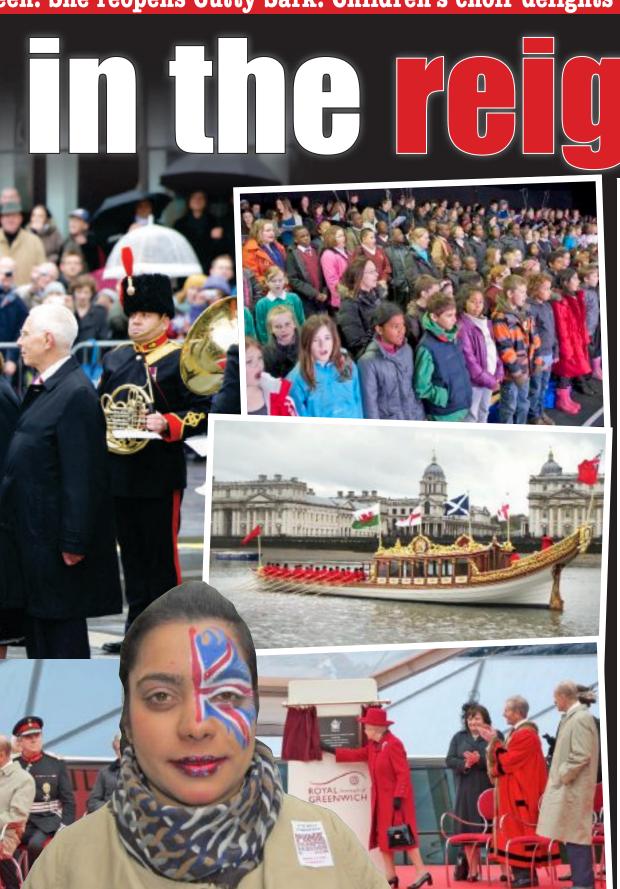
The Cutty Sark Gardens reopening comes in an historic year for Greenwich, which was granted royal borough status in February, and will be the centre of world attention during The Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the London 2012

Olympic Games. Leader of the royal borough, Cllr Chris Roberts said: "The complete refurbishment has created a fantastic open space for local residents and visitors

to enjoy. "The Cutty Sark is an iconic symbol of our maritime heritage and I'm proud of the role we have played in restoring and conserving the ship and the surrounding gardens. Many hundreds of people have come here today for the ship's opening, and I'm sure many millions more will want to come to see this magnificent restoration and other unique attractions that Royal Greenwich has to offer."



ueen. She reopens Cutty Sark. Children's choir delights Her Majesty...





Royal River gets a real royal launch

AFTER leaving the Cutty Sark, the Queen and Prince Philip went to the National Maritime Museum to mark its 75th anniversary and to open the exhibition, Royal River: Power, Pageantry and The Thames.

The special display showcases the historic relationship between Britain's royal families and the world's most famous river. It runs until September 9, and includes the oldest known copy Handel's Water Music, Queen Anne Boleyn's personal music book, and stern carvings from the Royal Yacht Victoria and Albert III.

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The exhibition comprises nearly 400 objects, including 50 loaned by Her Majesty from the Royal Collection and more than 250 items on loan from museums, galleries and private collections across Europe and America. Many have never been on public display

before.
Dick Townsend Smith caught up with guest curator of the exhibition, David

He told GT: "This exhibition, which brings to life the extraordinary and varied history of the Thames as Britain's royal river and London's 'grandest street', is a feast for the eyes and all the senses. It evokes the sights, sounds and even the smells of half a millennium of royal river

pageantry and popular celebration.
"But, most importantly and originally, Royal River also shows how the grandest royal river pageants have been used to celebrate the coronation and inauguration of Tudor and Stuart Queens. What more appropriate way of celebrating the Diamond Jubilee of The Queen, who will herself, at the climax of the celebrations, lead another grand royal river pageant?"

The maritime museum was opened by King George VI in 1937. The museum's launch was one of the new king's first official public engagements.

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An (almost) holy trinity

WATCH any recording of the great jazz musicians and it is clear that they were born to perform. Louis Armstrong and his trumpet, Duke Ellington and his piano, Benny Goodman and his marvellous clarinet. You can see them get lost on the stage: lost in the music, lost in the moment, lost in the rhythm of the beat.

Artist and instrument cease to be separate and somehow merge into one. So comparing Trinity Jazz with some of the all-time greats may be seen as a trifle unfair. Yet the message is the same whoever you are: entertain and don't simply play notes.

A nearly full Blackheath Halls saw the Trinity Band play jazz tunes from the 1930s right up to the 1950s, with some old favourites in between. Capably led by Malcolm Earle-Smith, the evening opened with one of the great standards - Benny Goodman's version of The King Porter Stomp by the wonderfully named, Jelly Roll Morton.

It was a hesitant start, anxious and tight, the band nervously focussing on the notes. But after a while they began to unwind, drummer Corrie Dick the first to settle down. Benny Carter's Lonesome Nights was much more relaxed and smiles soon began to appear. Part one of the show closed with Sir Charles Thompson's Robbins' Nest, Rachel Bennett's velvet vocals delightfully languid and pure

Part two was much slicker, more fun, more at ease, Jack Strachey's, These Foolish Things (Remind me of you), was the pick of the bunch.

But one or two notwithstanding – in particular (award-winning trumpeter) Laura Jurd - the band simply played, reluctant to make songs their own. Though technical competence shone bright from the stage from piano (Sam James and Dan Marx) and clarinet (Alex Chadwick) to trombone (Chris Valentine and Rosie Turk) and sax (Frank Sinclair and Leo Richardson) - their faces were anxious, their expressions too severe, over-focussing on simply hitting the notes. Earle-Smith has done wonders, his style relaxed and hands-off, the next step is to

make them enjoy it. The Duke closed the evening with, It Don't Mean a Thing (If it ain't got that swing) Bennett's vocals mirroring that of the band; diffident, too cautious not carefree enough, but wonderful potential nonetheless. 7/10

Dick Morgan

Reggae pioneer Chiff plays the Indigo2 later this month to showcase his first album in seven years. The record sees him step out of his comfort zone and form an unlikely partnership...



THE word 'legend' is over-used, but Jimmy Cliff is a bone fide example of this illusive breed.

With a reggae back catalogue that spans more than 50 years, he's best-known for You Can Get It If You Really Want, and The Harder They Come.

He brought reggae to the masses with film of the same name in 1972, and now he's made his most radical move of the past three decades, teaming up with a punk rocker for his forthcoming album.

Tim Armstrong of American outfit Rancid is producing Cliff's new record, *Rebirth*, which is out later this summer. It might seem an odd marriage, but punk and reggae have had a close relationship over the years, right from the dawn of the urgent guitars of the late 1970s.

Its simple form and anything-goes manifesto made punk one of the most accommodating genres. The Clash in particular utilised its cover-all axis to bring their brand of reggae to a new audience. The band's frontman Joe Strummer was friends with Cliff, and before his death in 2002, (while recording Over the Border with the Jamaican), it was he who provided the link between the reggae star and Armstrong.

Jimmy said: "I was talking with Joe, talking about music and people, and Tim's name came up. I had never had the opportunity to hear his music, but it was a great thing how we hit it off in the studio."

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The Sacred Fire EP has given fans a taste of what's to come on the full album, and Cliff doffs his cap to the late Clash man, covering Guns of Brixton from the British band's apex record, London Calling.

The new version has a world music feel Paul Simonon's immediate first reading bypassed for youthful bile. The 63-year-old's voice is mellow, and Armstrong's light touch at the desk never threatens to overpower the arrangement.

The forthcoming collection is a mix of covers and originals, with Cliff premiering the material at the Indigo2 in North Greenwich on May 18.

A cover of one of Armstrong's Rancid

offerings also turns up on the new EP - Ruby Solo. "For someone like Tim having a great foothold on the traditions, it woke me up to some things that had been done," Cliff added. "The drummer played some patterns I forgot we had done! It's a reawakening to those things, knowing they are not lost, preserved by

younger folk, passing them on."
A re-working of the Paul Simon song, Mother and Child Reunion - which Simon originally recorded with Cliff's band also features.

Rod Kitson Jimmy Cliff is at the Indigo2 on Friday May 18 at 7pm. Tickets from £22.50 Book on 0844 856 0202

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They've plugged the gap!

PARALLELS between the stage and the football pitch, particularly as far as young performers/players are concerned, are obvious to a creaky old coach like me.

Terminology in soccer circles tells it all and no doubt the theatre has a phrase to match with the ultimate accolade for a young footballer - "He's a bit special.

The trick in football is in the telling, the words accompanied by a sideways glace that wouldn't go amiss in George Smiley's or even Jeeves's locker. Hinted at: 'We're talking England level, maybe even Barcelona"

So one of the joys of attending Corelli College (formerly Kidbrooke School) productions is keeping the eyes and senses alert for that extra special talent.

Ben Hales' **There's A Leak** was a typically upbeat and audacious effort by the Kidbrooke Theatre Company based at the college (London's very first Co-operative Academy), directed by inhouse head of drama Lucy Cuthbertson and produced and choreographed by Corelli's Shermaine Slocombe.

theatre audience is always on tenterhooks, fearing that lines will be forgotten en masse. I, for example, would be like Spongebob at his driving school if they ever let me stumble the boards. But, having seen Kidbrooke's (Corelli's) stunning Lysistrata a year ago, I had none of the usual eebie-jeebies.

And straight away there was a character to calm any residual nerves as Igor the Cat padded calmly and confidently on stage. With a voice that could take on Michael Gambon's in selling the virtues of a high street bank - not the easiest task these days - Year 12's Billy Beswick stole the

I don't know who said never work with kids and cats, but Billy (who starred as Lysistrata too) proved the point, his movements when not making cutting feline points about the leak that threatened to suck up all human life, as good as any of the words.

None of the rest of the buzzing cast was put off by the Messi in their midst but who knows, as with football, they could improve past him in the years to come. That's the name of the game.

Edie Friar, from Year 8, was in her first play for Corelli as Igor's soulmate/owner Elsa and must have been on Cloud Nine after her performance.

Charlie Russell (Year 13) and Eleanor Campbell (Year 11) were worryingly excellent as the council workers in love and Elisa Cummings-Cove (Year 12) likewise as the politician whose face was changed by a team of advisers to fit different bouts of insincerity.

The college clearly gets enormous inspiration from working with the Splendid Productions company, who filled the second half of the evening with Medea, written by Euripides in 431 BCE (Before the Common Era, apparently).

Kerry Frampton, Jimmy The actors Whiteaker and Katie Fry – were ten times better than splendid but personally I felt a bit beaten senseless by their brilliance and also had serious doubts about a horror story, Greek or not, involving murdered children and "striking when your heart is black"

It's me. A big softy. I admit it.

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Going the distance

Royal borough pupils on their marks for great fun run

by Grace Lipski

ROYAL BOROUGH schools getting into the spirit of the Olympics by going the distance in the Tesco Great School Run next week.

The event is going into its eighth year and in London alone 350,455 children from more than a thousand schools have signed up.

The race has been supported by champion hurdler Colin Jackson CBE, who has been working with Tesco to encourage five to 11-year-olds and their parents to improve their health and fitness through execrise and healty eating.

He challenged schools in the Royal Borough of Greenwich to be part of the UK's biggest fun run when he filmed a promotional video for the run at Charlton Manor primary school.

He said: "The fun run has something for everyone and is the perfect opportunity to get children excited about being fit and healthy. I'm calling upon teachers to sign

up their schools straight away!"

Headteacher Tim Baker said: "On the day around 50 children took part in activities including running and skipping. Colin engaged the children by demonstrating ways of keeping fit and healthy. The whole school is looking



forward to taking part in the run in May". So far 23 royal borough schools have signed up to the race including James Wolfe, Millennium, Thorntree, Woodhill, Windrush and Sherington Primary

The Tesco Great School Run kicks off

LEGGING IT: Colin warms up with pupils from Charlton Manor at last year's event

in Hornfair Park on Tuesday, May 8 and is part of a helicopter tour attended by Colin Jackson. Schools will have their individual runs from May 8 until July 23.

Borough

Top tale from the pen of Ben

ELEVEN-year-old Ben Hubbard has been telling tales out of school. Now the youngster's story about an outing

to Greenwich park with his family has been published in a guide to London. Ben, a pupil at Alderwood School in

Eltham, wrote a short story for a London Young Writers competition.

Children aged 8-12 fron across the capital were invited to write a short piece for My London, a new new history book crammed with fascinating facts and 366 stories about London's history.

He was one of six young winners whose stories were published and received a signed certificate for his efforts as well as a copy of the book.

Author of the book, David Simpson said: "Our goal was to inspire young people to show what London means to them and the volume and standard of their response has been incredibly impressive.

 My London is priced at £12.99 and is available from bookshops or online at www.myworldpublishing.co.uk

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Greenwich Homes

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Royal Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

How the lettings policy work

Housing applicants are placed within 'Bands' according to the the Royal Borough of Greenwich's policy for letting homes. Your band information is on the letter that the Council sent you when you registered, or when your circumstances changed. Property adverts say which band can apply and any other criteria. When all the bids are received, the property is then offered to: For properties advertised for band A and band B - the applicant who has had this priority status for the longest time. For properties advertised for band C applicants - the applicant who has been registered on the Council's list for the longest time.

BAND

- A is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- **B** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- c is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

How do I apply?

Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application on line at

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk

Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Royal Borough of Greenwich about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Royal Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website: **www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes**

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free in either your neighbourhood housing office, library or UK Online centre.

Apply in one of two ways

- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic pushbutton system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website
 www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

The next edition of GreenwichHomes will be available on Wednesday 9 May 2012 at midday and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on Sunday 6 May 2012.

24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes
(Choice Based Lettings) Telephone
Bidding Line is available in:
English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au choix ») Ligne téléphonique de demande disponible en français en composant le :

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Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

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Only priority applicants can apply



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Stanley Close SE9 3 Bed House, Gdn Rad C/H. £136.68pw Bands A&B

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Ref Number: 74631 **Waterside CI SE28**

2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Unlifted, Rad C/H No Dogs.

£122.00pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 135906

Wellington Gdns SE7 5 Bed Parlour Hse Gdn. Rad C/H

No Parking £144.05pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 148756

Westcombe Court Westcombe Pk Rd SE3 Boyd Way SE3

2 Bed 7th Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone

£102.03pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 153382

Gordon House

2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone No Pets. No Pkg

£123.71pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 155966 **Bletchley House**

Mycenae Road SE3 I Bed Grnd Floor Flat Rad C/H.

£98.99pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157755

Topham House Prior Street SEI0

2 Bed 3rd Floor Flat Lifted. Rad C/H

£102.84pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 157860

Inca Drive SE9 2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat Unlifted, Rad C/H

£101.57pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158015 **Delafield Road SE7**

I Bed Grnd Floor Flat

Garden, Rad C/H. **£97.47pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158317 Gorman Road SE18

I Bed Grnd Floor Flat Combi Boiler & I Rad £77.10pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158398 Corelli Road SE3 I Bed Grnd Floor Flat Rad C/H.

£84.04pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158482 **Purneys Road SE9**

3 Bed House.Gdn Rad C/H

£115.39pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158498

Anstridge Road SE9

I Bed 1st Floor Flat Garden, Unlifted. Entry phone Combi Boiler & I Rad

£86.78pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158518

Penford Gardens SE9 3 Bed House.Gdn

Rad C/H.

£114.85pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158538 **Merryfield SE3**

2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat Rad C/H

£104.99pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158540

Woolwich Ch St SE18 Gavestone Rd SE12 2 Bed Grnd Floor Mais

£92.48pw Bands A&B

Rad C/H.



Ref Number: 158541

I Bed 1st Floor Flat

Unlifted, Rad C/H **£89.83pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158542

Church Hill SE18

I Bed 2nd Floor Flat Unlifted.Entry phone Gas Fire Only

£81.19pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158579 **Manister Road SE2**

2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Lifted.Gas Fire & Rad C/H

£88.10pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158778

St Mary Street SE18 4 Bed House.Gdn

Rad C/H

£132.29pw Bands A&B

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes

Anyone on the housing list can apply for these

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Ref Number: 82179 **Warrior Close SE28** 2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone

Rad C/H. No Dogs £151.15pw Band C



Ref Number: 157935 **Maryon Grove SE7** I Bed Grnd Floor Flat Rad C/H. **£78.95pw** Band C



Robert Street SEI8 2 Bed 7th Floor Flat Lifted Entry phone Rad C/H £85.36pw Band C



Coldharbour Crest Great Harry Dr SE9 2 Bed 6th Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone Rad C/H,Min I Child **£98.55pw** Band C



Ref Number: 158316 **Lamport Close SE18** I Bed 2nd Floor Flat Unlifted. Entry phone Rad C/H. £81.19pw Bands C

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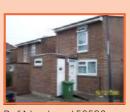


Ref Number: 158559 **Ritter Street SE18** I Bed 2nd Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone Rad C/H. No Pkg £93.18pw Band C



Ref Number: 158582 Mottisfont Road SE2 St Margarets Terr SE18 3 Bed House.Gdn Rad C/H. Min. 2 Child | Under | 16 Pref to Council Tenants

£110.71pw Band C



Ref Number: 158598 2 Bed House, Gdn Warm Air. Min. I Child Under 16 £97.66pw Band C



Fewer Bands A&B priority applicants have been bidding for advertised properties in recent weeks.

Please note that if you do not bid on a regular basis you risk losing your priority status.

Please contact the office if you need help in bidding.

Affordable Homes

Please note any Housing Association properties advertised in this way will have a higher rent charge



Ref Number: 85491 **Tarves Way SEI0**

2 Bed 4th Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone Rad C/H. No Dogs No Pkg.

£182.87pw Band C



Ref Number: 85514

Old Pearson St SEI0

2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone Rad C/H. No Pets No Pkg.

£182.87pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158719

Swallowfield Rd SE7 2 Bed 1st Floor Flat Unlifted, Rad C/H. No Dogs. Max.1 Child Over 10

£152.39pw Band C



Ref Number: 158740

Keightley Drive SE9 2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat Garden, Rad C/H.

No Dogs. £137.00pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 158823

Keightley Drive SE9 2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat Garden.Rad C/H

No Dogs.

£137.15pw Bands A&B

Applicants over 50+ can apply



Ref Number: 155965 Tom Smith CI SE10 I Bed 1st Floor Flat Lifted. Entry phone Comm. Gas Htg

£109.37pw Band C



Ref Number: 155967 **Lockver House Blackwall Lane SEI0** Bedsit 1st Floor Flat Unlifted. £98.49pw Band C



Ref Number: 158478 **Iames Newman Ct Great Harry Dr SE9** I Bed Ist Floor Flat Unlifted, Entry phone

Combi Boiler & I Rad **£89.59pw** Band C

Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be every Sunday at midnight.

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes



Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes

Royal Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Important Notice

Changes to the rents and tenancies of some advertised housing association properties.

Affordable Housing

Currently the rent level for the properties you see advertised in Greenwich Homes is significantly lower than full market rents in private sector housing.

From now you will now be seeing some housing association properties advertised for higher rents, up to eighty percent of the market rent. These rents will also include the service charge that you will need to pay for the property. We will use the phrase Affordable Housing on the adverts to help you identify these properties.

Please note the Council will continue to advertise all the homes it owns at the standard rent level.

You can bid for properties advertised as Affordable Housing in exactly the same way as for other advertised properties. If you are successful the housing association may want to check you have enough income to pay the higher rent, whether you are working or on benefits. If you are currently a housing association tenant the rent you pay on your present home will not be affected by this change.

Fixed term tenancies

You will also notice that the tenancies for Affordable Housing and some other housing association properties may now be for a shorter period than the present lifetime tenancies offered by housing associations. The phrase Fixed term tenancy will be used in the adverts to identify these properties. The tenancy details will be explained to you if you are successful when you view the property.

Please think about these changes when bidding for an Affordable housing property and make sure you can afford the home that you choose.

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 282

Beaconsfield Road SE3 7LG	0	FLAT	283	24/12/2009	С
Boyd Way SE3 9SD		HOUSE	139	09/11/2010	В
Boyd Way SE3 9SD		HOUSE	77	03/11/2009	В
Holburne Road SE3 8HT	2	HOUSE	68	28/01/2006	С
The Heights SE7 8JJ	1	FLAT	58	24/08/2010	В
Mottisfont Road SE2 9LY	3	HOUSE	67	16/12/2008	В
Wigeon Path Thamesmead SE28 0DS	1	FLAT	242	19/03/2009	С
Tom Smith Close SE10 9XJ	1	FLAT	320	05/08/1985	С
Dursley Road SE3 8QB	1	FLAT	75	05/01/1987	Α
Eltham Green Road SE9 6BH	3	HOUSE	92	01/05/2010	В
Churchbury Road SE9 5JB	3	FLAT	46	04/11/1991	В
Grovebury Road SE2 9YA	2	FLAT	15	17/01/2012	В
Corelli Road SE3 8EL	1	FLAT	301	16/06/2008	С
Sovereign House Europe Road SE18 5QN	2	FLAT		Withdrawn	
Alnwick Road SE12 9BU	3	HOUSE	62	22/05/2009	В
Well Hall Road SE9 6TY	1	FLAT	372	05/10/2009	С
Gavestone Road SE12 9BL	2	FLAT	24	29/12/2011	В
East Carriage House Royal Carriage Mews SE1 6GN	1	FLAT	55	06/09/2010	В
Berthon Street Deptford SE8 3EB	2	HOUSE	424	25/07/2005	С
Garland Road SE18 2RU	1	FLAT	44	26/06/2006	Α
Commonwealth Way SE2 0LF	2	FLAT	27	07/10/2011	В
Knee Hill Crescent SE2 0YL	1	FLAT	33	06/09/2011	В
Clothworkers Road SE18 2PD	1	FLAT	585	06/11/2007	С
Sandling Rise SE9 3AU	1	FLAT	41	05/10/2010	В
Bracondale Road SE2 9EF	2	HOUSE		No Eligible Bids	
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Commonwealth Way SE2 0LD	2	FLAT	26	29/03/2012	В
Micawber House Llewellyn Street SE16 4XD	2	FLAT	354	20/02/2009	С
	2	FLAT		No Eligible Bids	

For information or assistance

Contact our Allocations Team on: 020 8921 2941 Email: housing-allocations@greenwich.gov.uk

Greenwich Homes adverts

Greenwich Time is now being published
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Greenwich**Home** adverts are included in every issue.



Site for all eyes

out what's on offer at a new website. **Businesses launched** the new East Greenwich **Business Association** website to showcase the range of shops, services and attractions between two of the 2012 venues - the North Greenwich arena at the O2 and Greenwich Park. The launch event took place at Greenwich Communication Centre on Trafalgar Road on April 18. Representatives from 40 businesses were joined by Cllr Denise Hyland, the

royal borough's cabinet

coming to East Greenwich for London 2012 can check

member for regeneration. EGBA chair Lorraine Turton explained there were currently 150 businesses listed with more than 500 eligible for space on the site. She told GT: "This is an exciting platform for businesses in East Greenwich allowing them to showcase themselves on a global platform. The site has been designed so it is easy to navigate for non English speakers as well as the older community. It's a one stop shop where people can see everything that East Greenwich has to offer.' For more information visit www.livegreenwich.

Royal Borough of Greenwich
Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)
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Notice is hereby given that application(s) have been made to The Royal Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 4.30pm Monday to Thursday and 9.00am to 4.00pm on Fridays at or at the library shown between normal opening hours.
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If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutorily Listed Buildings under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Area) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the item below.

Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please quote the appropriate reference number.

Mike Hows - Chief Planning Officer

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PARK, BLACKHEATH AVENUE, GREENWICH, SE10
Submission of part details pursuant to Condition 36 (Transport Plan) of Planning Permission dated 29.03.2010 (Ref: 09/2598/F) for use of Greenwich Park for 2012 Equestrian and Modern Pentathlon events.

Transport Statement and Letter dated 17.1.12.
West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
GREENWICH PARK 12/0199/SD

Conservation Area:

Applicant:

Mr. Holmes The Royal Parks

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Installation of metal gates and grille, repointing of wall, landscaping and reinstatement of covered well and gateway in listed Orchard wall.

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Applicant: Mr & Mrs R Curtis
48 GLENLUCE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7SB Installation of a rear dormer window. 192.501 Rev B, 192.502 Rev B, 192.P01 Rev H, 192.P02 Rev H, Design & Access Statement and Site plan. Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT WESTCOMBE PARK

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Replacement of 3 windows with opening casements.

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BlackHeath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7B1

BLACKHEATH PARK

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Applicant:
Mitchells & Butlers Retail Ltd
THE GIPSY MOTH, 60 GREENWICH CHURCH STREET, GREENWICH, SE10 9BL

Removal of Condition 4 (Times of use of front external seating area) of planning permission dated 26/03/12 (Ref. 12/0182/F).

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Removal of Condition 4 (Times of use of front external seating area) of planning permission dated 26/03/12 (Ref. 12/0182/F).

Site plan and Cover letter dated 4/4/12.

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Applicant: Berkeley Homes (Urban Living) Ltd 12/0949/F WARREN LANE/SHIP AND HALF MOON PASSAGE, WOOLWICH, SE18

Development: Demolition of existing listed wall from former Warren Lane Gate to the Phase 3 residential development (Laboratory Square) together with new delineation of the former historic wall line.

Drawing Numbers: 12036xxxx5k01, 12036xxxx5k02(Site Location Plan) and Design and Access Statement.

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Applicant: Dr V. Thomas 12/
T13 OLD WOOLWICH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9PP

Development: Installation of replacement timber windows. GB14-02 Rev A, GB14-03 Rev A, Allocated No: 001, Design & Access Statement, Photosheets and Site Plan. East Greenwich Library. Woolwich Road SE10 ORL

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Applicant: Mr F. Perilli

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Installation of side boundary fencing.
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Installation of metal gates and grille, repointing of wall, landscaping and reinstatement of covered well and gateway in listed Orchard wall.

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Installation of externally illuminated hanging sign, externally illuminated wall signs and various replacement non-illuminated signage.

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Applicant:

Berkeley Homes (Urban Living) Ltd
WARREN LANE/SHIP AND HALF MOON PASSAGE, WOOLWICH, SE18

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"We've had plenty of feedback and have looked forward to seeing the to the ground." completion of the latest improvements

Go-ahead Valley have made steady, if unspectacular progress in getting their feet under the table of a higher level of football. Before they entertained Tunbridge Wells in last week's epoch-making fixture, they were languishing fifth from the bottom of the league but free from relegation worries. The scene was set for a triumphant evening but the visitors showed little sentiment in edging out their euphoric hosts in a 3-2 thriller.

Off to a second minute flyer from Billy Parkinson's close range header, Cray doubled their lead before the interval through skipper Jamie Millar's 25yard rocket. Spurred into reprisal,

Jack Harris reduced Wells' arrears after the break, before Tom Davey equalised and Andy Irvine fired the Kent team into a winning lead. Just for once, though, a disappointing result took a back seat to the magnificent achievement of an energetic, forwardthinking local football club. We'll be hearing much more from them. With no time to rest on their laurels,

Cray hosted Deal Town in their final home game at their swish new ground on Saturday before last, Billy Parkinson's 13th minute goal giving them a welcome, hard-fought victory. The lights are, of course, up and running, but extrovert club chairman and fervent Charlton fan Doug Francis extends a warm welcome to Chris Powell and his staff to do the formal honours at some mutually agreeable date in the future. A warm welcome is assured. Over to you, Chris.

Charlton are champions!

CHARLTON Athletic capped a perfect season by becoming champions of League One on April 21.

The Addicks saw off Wycombe Wanderers 2-1 to secure the top spot with goals from

Yann Kermorgant and Dale Stephens. Kermorgant scored the first with a 30-yard screamer, and then headed Rhoys Wiggins' cross on to the boot of Stephens to finish the job.

Specialist sports camp is

TWELVE disabled youngsters had a wonderful week at a specialist sports camp run by the South London Special League at the Riverside Bar - at the Waterfront Leisure Centre - from April 10-13. Sports on offer included Bocciua, table cricket, table tennis, skittles, new age kurling and powerchair powerchair football. The players were supported

by experienced coaches so parents and carers knew they were in capable hands.

The event was funded by NHS Greenwich.

Cllr John Fahy, formerly leader Project Sharon Brokenshire told GT: "The sports camp was a great success and we hope to gain the funding to make it a regular holiday session.

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PROPOSED APPROPRIATION OF OPEN SPACE

Land adjoining Morden Mount Primary School SE13 7QP

Notice is hereby given that the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to appropriate for educational purposes land from within its Housing Revenue Account which is currently an open mainly grassed area comprising 457 square metres adjoining Morden Mount Primary School, Lewisham Road, London, SE13 7QP and that can be accessed from Quince Road, Lewisham.

The appropriation is necessary to allow the land so appropriated to be added to the School premises within an expanded boundary. This area is likely to be used after incorporation within the School site as a "forest garden" of educational value for the benefit of the School's pupils.

A plan showing the land affected by the proposal may be inspected during normal office hours at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, 5th Floor Woolwich Centre, Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6HQ.

Any objection to the intended disposal must be made in writing and should be sent to Russell Power, Head of Law and Governance, 4th Floor Woolwich Centre, Wellington Street, Woolwich, SE18 6HQ before 5.30pm on 27th May 2012.

Dated the 20th April 2011.

Ralph Million Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills Woolwich Centre Wellington Street Woolwich SE18 6HO



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Lighting up time

New facilities push Cray Valley into different league

PITCH BATTLE: Cray Valley test out the new ground during a match against Tunbridge Wells on April 18

PROUDLY unveiling new floodlights and impressively covered facilities at their Badgers Sports Ground HQ in Middle Park Avenue, Eltham on Wednesday April 18, Cray Vally FC were badly let down by the weatherman.

A foul, rain-soaked evening no doubt persuaded a few potential customers to slump on to their sofas instead and watch Chelsea's pragmatism frustrate

by Kevin Nolan

Barcelona's artistry on telly

In the event, 184 hardy loyalists turned up to witness the historic switching on of the lights and to admire the new dressing rooms and improvements on and off the pitch. Partly funded by a fifty per cent grant of £55,685 from the Football Stadia Improvement Fund, the Kent Hurliman League club have managed to consolidate the Step 5 status they achieved by promotion last

season. They are now qualified to enter next season's FA Vase and, subsequently, the FA Cup. Chelsea have been warned.

Delighted president Mac McAnallan expressed the club's satisfaction at a work still enthusiastically in progress.

"The club has put a lot of time and money into transforming the facilities and players, officials and supporters have already appreciated the changes.

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Grand Designs at Plumstead Manor School

As all eyes are on the new Olympic Stadium being constructed in Greenwich, contractors have been steadily working on the rebuilding and refurbishment programme at Plumstead Manor, and it is well underway.

The school was extremely lucky to be granted funding for this much-needed project under the government's 'Building Schools for the Future' programme (BSF).

"Accommodating our 1,860 students and 300 staff with as little disruption to day-to-day school life as possible has

been somewhat challenging, but with a careful programme of decanting and relocating it is business as usual," says Headteacher Sue Flanagan. "The sixth form is currently located in a building just a short walk from Plumstead Manor, so they don't feel too cut off! Our staff and students have coped fantastically well, demonstrated by the fact that our exam results have continued to rise. Our 2011 GCSE results were the best we've ever had!'

The pupils are buzzing with all the changes and the new uniform has created a real stir. They can't wait to get their hands on it and start wearing it!

Ms O'Malley, Assistant Headteacher

To complement the multi-million pound investment in the new look for the school, Plumstead Manor students will be having a new look of their own. A brand new uniform has been designed, which will feature the school's new logo. This logo will also appear on Plumstead Manor's publications, signage and stationery.

"The pupils are buzzing with all the changes and the new uniform has created a real stir. They can't wait to get their hands on it and start wearing it!" says Assistant Headteacher Karina O'Malley. "We are equally excited about unveiling our new image and taking the new-look Plumstead Manor forward."











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Plumstead Manor School

A whole new look...

Meanwhile, the decision was also taken to completely rebrand the school and this meant coming up with a new logo. Orchid Creative, a highly skilled north London design agency which specialises in marketing for education, has been working closely with Plumstead Manor on all aspects of its branding and has created the new uniform and the new logo. "A series of design concepts were worked through," says Jill Bennett at Orchid

Creative. "We looked at everything from plums and plum trees to the arts and nautical themes. An exciting inhouse competition at the school meant that students' suggestions were taken on board."

Emma Moate, the winner of the competition, was thrilled to learn that her concept had been incorporated

into the eventual design. She was presented with vouchers by Ms O'Malley at a school assembly. Emma is studying Art for GCSE along with her other subjects. "Emma's design was creative, fresh and really workable," says Jill Bennett.

I honestly think the new uniform is very exquisite. This uniform makes me feel more mature and allows me to be part of a modernised, fashionable school.

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The sharp, modern, iconic silver and red logo has been designed to reflect the school's new state-ofthe-art structure and facilities and take it forward into the future. The three spheres within the design represent Plumstead Manor's three specialisms -Performing Arts, Humanities and Applied Learning. The new logo will





How can I describe the uniform? AMAZING! I have never seen such a smart uniform before. It's so comfortable. The colour is just too cool for school! Bet all the other schools will be jealous. The logo is just wow!

Taylor Grove 8Wi

feature on all the new uniform items and the school's stationery and publications.

A smart new school should have smartly dressed pupils, so the decision to design a new uniform especially for Plumstead Manor couldn't have come at a better time. Pupils, parents, teachers and governors were consulted and the overwhelming consensus was that there should be a more sophisticated look for the students. So it's off with the old school sweatshirt and on with a tailored blazer, which can be teamed with a skirt or trousers as girls wish. The needs of the multi-faith community have been taken into account and the skirt is available in two lengths (knee and ankle). A regulation hijab and a shalwar kameez have also been added.

I really like the uniform. It shows that Plumstead Manor is a wonderful and awesome school!

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Building the future

The most exciting development is a brand new state-of-the-art hall in the new the Jo Harding Centre, named after Plumstead Manor's former Headteacher. The hall will house school assemblies, large gatherings and of course school productions, which will greatly enhance the school's renowned performing arts programme. Music, dance and drama will all be taught in the Jo Harding Centre. A new sports hall is also being constructed, which will make indoor games a much more rewarding and beneficial part of the curriculum.

The new buildings are being kept in line with the attractive façade of the main school, constructed in red brick with a copper-effect trim to reflect the green common opposite the school. On the site of the old games hall there will now be some much-needed open space, landscaped to be usable for staff and pupils alike.

There are many changes taking place in the existing buildings. New carpets and new furniture will give the classrooms a fresh new look, while updated wiring and an upgraded computer system will future-proof the school and bring it into line with all that's expected of a thriving educational establishment in the 21st century.

The boys and girls in the sixth form are currently based off site, but when they return to the Plumstead Manor site in 2013, they will be housed in the new architect-designed Frank Lerner Centre, named after the Chair of Governors. This three-storey construction will be predominately for sixth form use and its unique design will feature a cyber café, large open-plan study areas and a terrace for recreation.

With its spacious and airy feel, this will be the perfect base for older students •

Ms Flanagan, Headteacher

But it's not all about buildings is it? There is something really special about the atmosphere at Plumstead Manor School. It's not just that *students feel really safe at school*, or that there is a *wide selection of enrichment*, it is the *strong sense of community* that makes our school unique. Pupils flourish because they feel safe and cared for as part of the 'Outstanding' Pastoral Care at Plumstead Manor (*Ofsted 2011*)

